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Sir,
The rebels have become very active recently trying to induce some of the Arsenal troops to join them. It is said that in addition to the troops stationed at Woo Ching Ying 滬軍營 of whom there are two thousand, there are five hundred troops quartered in Wen Chow Hwan Kwan 徽州会馆 whose loyalty is not above suspicion. Woo Ching Ying is near the S.H.R. Station, and Wen Chow Hwan Kwan is between St. Catherine's Bridge and the Arsenal.

Owing to reports that a rising would take place, extraordinary precautions were taken at the Kiangnan Arsenal last night.

The troops at the Arsenal were paid yesterday.

It is said that the Yunnan rebels have sent a telegram to Shanghai requesting a rebel named Wong Tsuh Ming 王錫民 to go to Yunnan.

There were rumours current yesterday that the tipans of the large foreign firms in the Settlement have been notified by their Consuls that the rebels were about to attack the Arsenal.

With reference to yesterday's report touching the arrest of two men in the vicinity of the Arsenal with maps in their possession, it has been ascertained that they are natives of Hupeh, named Lieu Sung Nyeu 劉心儒, and Tsang Loh Tsiang 張祿齋. They were formerly military officers in their native province.

General Wo Fong Ling 何鳳林 of Sungkiang visited the Arsenal yesterday. It is said that he reported that the rebels are very active in Sungkiang and asked for more troops.

Three robbers who were concerned in cases in the settlements were shot at the Arsenal yesterday afternoon.

Your obedient servant,

W. W. Mustine

Chief Detective Inspector.

Captain Superintendent of Police.

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